

# Education & Empowerment Committee



**Jonathan Harris, Chair**

Thursday, May 20, 2010  
5:00 pm to 6:30 pm  
Public Health  
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## Meeting Minutes

**Committee Members**    *AT: Attended    AB: Absent    EX: Excused    ALT: Alternate Present*

AT	Jonathan Harris	EX	Larry Stähli	AT	MiAsia Pasha	AT	Miguel Garruna
EX	Regina Lechuga	AT	Ron Hill	AT	Lucio Amado		

## **Guests**

Carmen Hair                      Vicki Jaquez

**Support Staff:** John Sapero

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## **Welcome, introductions and declarations of any conflicts-of-interest**

Jonathan Harris called the meeting to order and welcomed the attendees. Everyone introduced him/her self and declared any conflicts-of-interest.

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## **Determination of quorum**

Jonathan Harris determined quorum was established, with four of six members present at 5:10 pm.

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## **Review of the meeting minutes and action items from prior meetings**

Participants silently reviewed the summary minutes of the April 15, 2010 meeting. Ron Hill noted that Larry Stähli was not present at the meeting as detailed in the minutes.

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Funding is provided by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act of 2006 and the Maricopa County Department of Public Health.

All of the documents discussed may be requested from Planning Council Support.

**Committee chair update**

Jonathan Harris discussed that he had reached out to some pharmaceutical companies, Merck, ViiV and another. All of them discussed a desire to partner with the committee. Grants and other assistance would be available as long as the committee partnered with an agency.

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**Evaluation: May 8, 2010 Learn+Link+Live event**

The committee reviewed the summary of the participant evaluations.

John Sapero provided the RSVP lists, and discussed that 1/3 of the people who attended did not register.

Lucio Amado discussed he enjoyed the format of the event that offered multiple presentations during each session. There was discussion regarding the benefits and challenges of different event formatting.

Lucio and MiAsia shared that when the events occur in January, they are much better attended.

Ron Hill discussed that the content of the event was more appropriate for newly diagnosed individuals, and this may have turned some people off.

Miguel Garruna related when he plans the content for the Spanish-language event, he holds focus groups to determine the content. Lucio Amado proposed that a pre-event survey be distributed to learn what consumer attendees would like to have presented.

**Discussion points:**

- Evaluations need to be completed earlier in the event
- Clients are very focused on food – how should food be handled?
- Content should drive participation, not food (“celebrity doctor”)
- Present Positive Self Management Program content
- Present more workshops – interactive sessions, peers helping peers, group discussions
- Presentation: Dealing with stigma/acceptance/disclosure among other PLWH
- Presentations for the affected population as well
- Target seniors
- Internet dating issues (can this be presented in Spanish? AETC as a contact?)
- HIV Legal issues – ensure that the discussion remains focused on HIV issues
- Involve Arizona Latino HIV/AIDS Action Network - Black AIDS Task Force in some way?
- Add a social component in some way (pot luck, entertainment, etc)

Date for next event: Saturday, January 29, 2011

## **MEETING MINUTES** *continued*

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### **Development of Education & Empowerment Committee Goals and Activities**

This item was tabled.

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### **Event Planning**

This item was tabled.

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### **Determination of agenda and action items for the next meeting**

In addition to the recurring items, the committee determined the following:

<b>Agenda Items</b>	
Event planning	
Review Policies and Procedures – Committee mission, vision and goals	
<b>Action Items to be completed by the next meeting:</b>	
<b>Task</b>	<b>Assigned To</b>

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### **Current events summaries**

MiAsia Pasha discussed a Mother's Day fund raising event she was presenting.

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### **Call to the public**

No comments were voiced.

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### **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:37 pm.